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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME AND**  
**SECOND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Applicants respectfully request a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for responding to the Office Action mailed on September 8, 2005, in the above-captioned patent application. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the time for response be extended up to and including March 8, 2006. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("USPTO") is hereby authorized to charge the amount of \$1020.00 to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206 to cover the three-month extension of time fee, including any shortage or deficiency determined by the USPTO for reconsideration of this application.

Responsive to the Office Action mailed September 8, 2005, applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of this application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Appendix A:** Declaration of Dr. Heriberto Alejandro Bustamante dated February 7, 2006.

**Appendix B:** CV of Dr. Heriberto Alejandro Bustamante.